to Resign.

RESULT OF DISASTER AT LINDLAY THEY ALL DISCLAIM BRUTALITY

Sensational Beginning of New Brother of the Deceased Cadet on Regime in London War Office.

NEWS FROM KITCHENER REFERS TO LETTERS

LONDON, December 27.-The war office has begun the promised reform of the army in a sensational manner. It has demanded division of the South Africa field force. Gen. Colville refuses to resign, and he is now on his way to England. The news is all the more startling as the question of Breth was subjected, replied: Gen. Colville's responsibility for the Yeo-

After the inquiry Gen. Colville was reinstated in his command at Gibraltar in September last. The attitude of the war office indicates that a new regime in Pall Mall will reverse the decisions of Lord Lansdowne and Lord Wo.seley in regard to some of the recent commanders in South Africa. Gen. Celville, like Gen. Methuen, has always been a great social personage in London and a prominent clubman. He has had a most distinguished military career. camp. He had hoped to get better in barhas been repeatedly mentioned in dispatches and is familiarly known as "Odgers." He is also a well-known author, and on the oc-casion of his marriage created a stir by roing on his honeymoon in a balloon.

Hoer Attacks Repulsed. The following disptach from Gen. Kitch-

ener was received from Pretoria under today's (Thursday's) date:

Yesterday 200 Boers attacked a small police post near Boksburg. The police gallantly drove them off before reinforcements from Johannesburg arrived. The Boers lamaged the mining machinery in the neigh-

"The Boers attacked Utrecht at 2 o'clock this morning and were driven off. "The Boers held up a train three miles west of Pan and were driven off. "The eastern force of Boers in Cape Colony was headed yesterday and driven in the "Is ection of Venterstad. The western force is still being driven north through Strydenburg.

Fighting With De Wet.

The following dispatch has also been received from Lord Kitchener: "PRETORIA, December 6.-Knox, with Barker, Pilcher and White, is engaged with De Wet's force, holding a position in the neighborhood of Leuw Kop.

"De Wet hopes to break through and go "The Boers' eastern column in Cape Colony is apparently headed by our troops about Reliport Spruit. The Boers' western column is reported to have gone north in two portions, one toward Prieska and the through Strydenburg. They are be-

The Evening Standard today says it un-ierstands that the squadron of yeomanry which, as announced in a dispatch from Cape Town yesterday, was entrapped and captured by the Boers, whom they were fol-lowing from Britstown, was released after the men had been relieved of their horses and other equipment. Ten of the yeomanry, the paper adds, were wounded.

Pursuit of Kruitzinger.

BURGHERSDORP, CAPE COLONY, Wednesday. December 26.-Col. Grenfell continues in touch with Kruitzinger's command Maxims and carts. An attempt of the 9th Lancers to turn Kruitzinger's flank at Plaisterheavel, December 24, resulted in eight casualties among the Lancers, including Lord Frederick Blackwood, who was

BLOEMFONTEIN, ORANGE RIVER COLONY, Wednesday, December 26.-There cided to offer to surrender, provided the colonial rebels are not punished and the leaders, including themselves, are not de-

CAPE TOWN, December 27.-A small party of Boers attacked Burgersdorp on December 24. They were repulsed after heavy fighting. The Boers are active, and skirmishes in several places have been reported.

LIKELY TO PROVE FATAL. William Quinn, a Soldler, Suffering

From Stab Wound. William F. Quinn, a member of Company

M. 11th Infantry, stationed at the arsenal, is confined in the hospital at the arsenal suffering from a stab wound of the stomach or choke. that is likely to prove fatal. A colored man named Joseph Cozzens, who is alleged to have inflicted the injury, was arrested by Policeman Buckley of the fourth

The affair happened on G street southalso an artilleryman, was stabbed in the arm. Cozzens was arrested and charged with the assault on Wilson, but as the latter refused to prosecute him he was re-

There were four artillerymen together and Quinn was so much under the influence of liquor when he reached the arsenal that he was put in the guard house.

Yesterday morning he reported sick and was taken to the hospital. An examination made by surgeons revealed the wound in his stomach. Late this afternoon the police of the fourth precinct were informed of Quinn's condition, and they rearrested Coz-

The prisoner is a witness in the Rodgers Hooks murder case. The crime was com-mitted Monday near where the soldier was wounded the following day.

It was stated this afternoon that Quinn's

condition was critical WILL OF GEN. PARKE.

His Wife to Receive Interest From Estate for Life. According to the terms of the will of Gen. John G. Parke. United States army, retired, dated November 21, 1899, which has been filed for probate, his wife, Ellen estate for life. In the event of the death of Mrs. Parke the following disposition, it is provided, shall be made of the property:

To Epiphany Parish of this city, \$3,000: dation, \$3,000; to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Episcopal Church, \$3,000; to the bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the District of Columbia, \$3,000.

The remainder of the estate, it is directed, shall be divided among the following named persons: To the testator's sister, Mrs. Isabella C. Mitchell of Downingtown, Pa., one-twelfth; to his sister, Mrs. May P. Miller, one-twelfth; to Mae P. Branson one-twelfth; to Andrew Parke, a nephew one-twelfth; to Frank Parke, one-twelfth to M. Annette Parke, one-twelfth; to Lewis H. Parke, one-twelfth; to Lewis H. Parke, in trust for his brother, John G. Parke, one-twelfth; to Sarah Miller, a niece, onetwelfth; to Gu!on Miller, one-twelfth; to Frank Miller, one-twelfth; to his son-in-law, Gracie K. Richards, one-twelfth. named, respectively, executrix and execu-

tor of the estate. Policemen Transferred.

Major Sylvester, superintendent of police, today ordered the transfer of the following officers: Private West, from Long Bridge to duty at the work house: Hatton, from the work house to Long bridge; Ellis, from the sewer in southeast section of the city to the Long bridge, and Martin from

COLVILLE MUST GO SAW BRETH HAZED

British Commander at Gibraltar Asked More Cadets Testify in the Booz Investigation.

the Stand.

WEST POINT, N. Y., December 27 .-When the military court investigating the Booz case assembled Cadet Willis G. Peace of North Carolina, of the first class, was ville, commanding an infantry brigade at the first witness. He said he knew Former Gibraltar, and recently commanding the 9th | Cadet Breth, and saw him hazed in the tent of ex-Cadet Beder in camp in 1897. The witness, after being frequently asked to describe the forms of hazing to which

"I cannot exactly describe them in detail, manry disaster at Lindlay last May was but I think were the usual forms, such as fully investigated by the authorities when holding out Indian clubs until it became Gen. Colville returned from South Africa | tiresome, doing 'Wooden Willie,' and other things which were in vogue at that time. Breth was a very awkward man, and did not seem to be able to do anything right. He was subject to nervousness and was

easily rattled. Continuing, the witness said: "I got a letter from Breth about six months after he left here. In it he tried to explain his difficulty in doing things right while at the post here, and said that he had been sufferracks, but did not."
"What was the nature of his sickness?"

inquired General Clous. "I don't remember, sir." "Have you got the letter?"
"No, sir: I looked for it, but must have

destroyed it long since. Knew of Eight Fights.

The witness in reply to Gen. Clous said that he knew of about eight fights having occurred during the first two years he was in the academy and about nine during the

next two years.
In reply to Gen. Bates Cadet Peace said that whenever a fourth-class man was in trouble or wanted advice or perhaps some article which he would come to an upper class man for information or the loan of the desired article and he would invariably

"Is there any hatred or feeling in exist-ence between first class men and fourth class men?" asked the general.
"I don't believe there is any feeling on the part of the first class men against fourth class men, but there may be on the part of fourth class men against the upper class. This may be accounted for by the treatment of the lower class, but this feeling passes away when the cadets are advanced to the third class.' Peace went on to say that he did not con-

sider exercising brutal. Then you don't think that being required to exert yourself physically against your will almost to the point of exhaus-tion brutal?" exclaimed General Bates. "I was exercised myself, sir, and I did not think it was brutal. It was uncom-fertable, but I never knew it to result in permanent injury.

Cadet Kaye's Testimony.

Cadet Allen C. Kaye of Minnesota, who came next, said that he had seen Cadet Breth the night before he left the academy. Breth seemed very much cast down at being found deficient, and the witness sympathized with him. Breth did not complain of liness, nor did he say anything of his treatment by the other cadets while here. In reply to General Brooke, the witness said he had never hazed a man to the limit of his endurance, he never saw a man faint or become exhausted from hazing, and had not heard of such a case

"Do you think it is for the physical beneof 700 men, who are carrying off the British fit to a cadet to have him eagled' seventy-prisoners. Kruitzinger has abandoned his five times?" inquired General Clous. Yes, I should say it is. I did it myself and it benefited me," was the ready reply. Cadet John A. Pearson of Tennessee when asked if he ever hazed Cadet Booz, answered in the negative. In describing several forms of exercising, he said:
"Choo-chooing is the most exhausting.

The man is required to get down and use his hands and legs as rapidly as possible in are renewed but unconfirmed rumors here that Gen. Dewet, President Steyn and Gen. Haasbroeck have had a conference and dea man brutally treated he could tell at

The next witness was R. C. Booz, civil engineer, of Buffalo, N. Y., a brother of the late Cadet Oscar L. Booz. The witness had not seen his brother during the time he was in the West Point Academy in 1898. Mr. Booz continued:

"I received a letter from him shortly afhe went to the academy. In it he said he felt strange at the place, as it was his first experience away from home. In the second letter which I got, about the beginning of August, he told me that he would be called out to fight in about a week. He complained of having had to take tabasco sauce and suffered from a sore throat in consequence. He claimed that it was forced down his throat and he had to swallow it

Saw Breth Exhausted.

Twelve witnesses were examined yesterday afternoon. They were all of the present first class, and classmates of former Cadet Breth. One of them, Cadet Tidball of Virginia, swore that he had seen Breth west, between 3d and 41/2 streets, Christmas exhausted after going through an exercisafternoon, at the time that John S. Wilson, ing ordeal in camp in 1897. Some of the who were hazing Breth gave him whisky when he became exhausted. The witness could remember only one of the hazers, and this was Lieut. Mumma, who

graduated last year. Cadet Russell said that he had heard of a cadet being bound hand and foot and placed under a water faucet. He could not vouch for the accuracy of his informant and did not remember his name.

The witnesses were all questioned as to whether they had held any conversation with other cadets as to the withholding of testimony at the investigation, and they all denled that such a thing occurred.

They said that on the contrary all the cadets were anxious that everything should be told.

The first witness called was Cadet B. F. Browne of Virginia, now of the first class. He said that he knew Booz, but did not remember his being ill while at the academy. He denied having given any to any forth-class men. The witness said that he knew a cadet named Mc-Manus, who took a teaspoonful of the pepper sauce just to show his fellow cadets navy, and that commissions have been that he could do so. McManus was a issued to Capt. W. T. Burwell, Commander third-class man at the time, and he suffered no ill effects from his taking such a

quantity of the sauce. Prince A. Oliver of Illinois knew Cadet Breth. He said that Breth had told him Farke, is to receive the income from his that he (Breth) had undergone a painful operation before he came to the academy The witness said that Breth was treated the same as the rest of the class. He saw Breth just before he left the academy, and he looked healthy. He did not leave the academy on account of his health

Happy Under It All. "Were you particularly unhappy during

your first year at the academy?" asked Gen.

"Were the other men in your class unhappy? Well, many of them did not like of the things they had to do, but I think that any fair-minded cadet could see that

anything that was done to him was for his own good." The witness went on to say that ostra-cism from the society of the cadet corps would become so unbearable that the man would have to resign. Cadet Booz was left

very much alone after his fight with Keller. This was on account of his cowardice. Cadet William Tidball of Virginia swore that on one occasion when in camp in 1897 Cadet Breth was exhausted from exercis-ing and he saw some of the cadets giving

him liquor "Whisky?" asked General Brooks.

SHOT BY BLONDE WOMAN.

Mysterious Affair in Indianapolis-W. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., December 27 .-Wm. H. S. Smythe, grand secretary of the Masonic order of Indiana, was shot and probably fatally wounded at noon today in his office in the Masonic Temple. The shooting is a mystery. The story told by Mr. Smythe, who retained consciousness for several minutes after the shooting, is that a blonde woman entered his office and

asked to be allowed to use the telephone. As he was very busy, he told her he could not be bothered at the time. Without further words, he declares, the woman drew a revolver and fired at him. He felt the sting of the bullet, but did not realize what happened until after the woman escaped. Police quickly reached the scene and threw a line of patrolmen and detectives

around the Masonic Temple, but no trace of the mysterious woman was found.

Lewis A. Coleman, an attorney, who had gone to the Masonic Temple to transact business, discovered Smythe, who, he says, was lying on the floor, half way between his desk and the door of his office, in a

An examination showed that three shots had been fired, each of which took effect in Smythe's head. The bullets have been removed, but ft is not thought Smythe can

CHURCH PROPERTY INVOLVED.

Philippine Commission Passes Title to a College. MANILA, December 27 .- The Philippine

ommission has completed the tariff bill and mailed it to Washington for approval. The decision of the commission will be made public Monday. The first question dealt with by the commission affecting an issue between the

church and the United States government is whether the control of the San Jose Medical College is vested in the government or in the church. The college was established by bequest in the seventeenth century, and when the authority of the Jesuits in the Philippines ceased the Spanish government assumed direction of the college, and, later permitted the Dominican Order to conduc-San Jose College as part of the University of Santo Tomas. Following the American occupation, a representative of the people insisted that the college under the treaty of Paris came into the control of the United States, and ought not to be controlled by the church trolled by the church.

The church authorities claimed the church

had full legal possession. Gen. Otis finally closed the institution. The first hearing took place shortly after the commission arrived. Archbishops Chapelle and Nozaleda made the presentations of the church's po-If the commission decides that the control

is vested in the government litigation is considered probable.

ON THE APPROPRIATION BILLS. Progress of Work of Subcommittee of

The subcommittee of the Senate commit ee on appropriations, having in charge the preparation of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, which has been sitting daily since the holiday recess of Congress, has practically completed its work and probably will not meet again until after the reconvening of the Senate. The bill will then be reported to the full committee, and as soon thereafter as possible to the Senate. As it will be reported by the subcommittee, and most likely by the complete committee, it will not carry a very much greater total than the bill car-ried as it passed the House. There have been but few increases of salary made by the subcommittee, but increases in the clerical force in certain branches of the War, Interior and Post Office Departments have been provided for. These increases have been made in response to urgent represen-

committee sat part of the day Christmas The Indian appropriation bill is being concommittee on Indian affairs. Special attention is being paid by the subcommittee to the plea of the Pima Indians of Arizona improved facilities for securing water for irrigation. White men have constructed irrigation system which, it is said, de prives the Indians of their natural supply committee seems disposed to make some provision for the unfortunate Indians.

MINISTER CONGER HOPEFUL

He Thinks Peace Will Soon Be Re-Established in China. LONDON. December 27 .- "Mr. Conger

takes a hopeful view of the situation," says the Pekin correspondent of the Morning Post, wiring Monday, "and thinks that a settlement will be effected; but he declares that no one of the envoys will recognize the empress dowager officially, although all are aware that she has long exercised the supreme power. He believes the crisis will result in the initiation of reforms in China. "Senor de Cologan, the Spanish minister,

fears that the discussion of the joint note, after general acceptance, will extend for a vear or more. is rumored that numerous villages east of Pekin are combining to exterminate native Christians, several of whom have been burned in a local temple.

"Li Hung Chang is a triffe better."
It is asserted in Shanghai, according to a dispatch to the Times, that Sheng is going to Pekin, having been appointed to assist in the negotiations.

Naval Orders. Lieut, Commander G. F. W. Holman has been detached from the Albany and ordered to Yokohama Hospital.

Lieut, B. K. McMorris, from the Helena to the Solace. Lieut. P. W. Hourigan to the Essex. Lieut. F. P. Baldwin from the Essex and

Lieut. R. Z. Johnston, order detaching Naval Academy revoked.

Marine Corps Orders. Capt. T. H. Lowe and First Lieuts. B. Eillot and J. McE. Huey have been de-

tached from duty at Guam and ordered to the marine regiment at Cavite. Capt. C. S. Hatch has been detached from the New Orleans and Capt. R. C. Berkley from the Oregon and both ordered to duty with the marine regiment at Cavite.

New Naval Commissions. It is announced at the Navy Department that S. S. Rodman and J. M. Brister have been appointed assistant surgeons in the navy, and that commissions have been J. A. H. Nickels, Medical Directors G. P. Bradley and P. Fitzsimmons, Surgeon G. H. Barber and Chief Gunner M. W. Gli-

Lord William Beresford Ill. LONDON, December 27.-Lord William Beresford, who has been suffering from peritonitis, passed a very bad night, and was reported worse this morning.

martin.

American Chemical Society Meets. CHICAGO, December 27.-Leading chemists from all sections of the country assembled in convention in the auditorium of the Lewis Institute to attend the twenty-sec-ond general meeting of the American Chemical Society.

Death of Lord Armstrong. LONDON, December 27.-Lord William George Armstrong, inventor of the Armstrong gun, and a writer upon electrical and scientific topics, died today at his home at Cragside. Colored Masons in Council.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., December 27 .-The first international council of Master

Masons, colored, met here today, with colored Masonic dignitaries present from all parts of the world. The sessions will continue until next Monday. C. K. Landis' Will Sustained.

MR. BRYAN'S SPEECH FINANCE AND TRADE

coln Last Night.

In Line of Succession for Presi- Low-Priced Shares and Neglected dential Nomination.

POSSIBLE CONTINGENCIES GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

The speeches of Mr. Bryan and Mr. Kern at the Jefferson Club banquet at Lincoln, Neb., last night have excited much comment. The speech of John W. Kern is regarded as that of a man who is ambitious for leadership, and it is suggested that he was trying on Mr. Bryan's shoes. Kern was the democratic candidate for governor Bryan, he was defeated. It is said that in | moderate sellers. 96 he was not altogether satisfied with the attitude assumed by his party, and the behim today that he had not supported Bryan at that time. His speech last night seems to exclude that beilef, however, and to place him among the foremost of Bryan's admirers. There is little doubt in the minds of those who have read the newspaper ex-tracts of the speech that Mr. Kern regards himself as a possible successor to Bryan in 1904, and the opinion is expressed that he has placed himself in the running. His association with Mr. Bryan on this occasion carries out the idea.

His Future Candidacy.

While some democrats expected Mr. Bryan to make a more explicit declaration as to his own attitude, the men who are closest to him and better understand his sentiments with reference to his own candidacy do not interpret the reserve on this point as indicating a desire to appear again under a good buying demand. An important point as indicating a desire to appear again as a candidate in 1904. The statement has a candidate in 1904 by Mr. Bryan's used as the basis for the buying. themselves as to force him again into that position, he would not be a candidate unless that were so. Mr. Bryan's statement in his speech last night that whether he would ever be a candidate for office again was a question that must be determined by circumstances, accords with this view of his friends, and his declaration, including what he said of his editorial ambition, is interpreted as sufficient notice to those in round amounts by a manipulative close to him that they are not expected to clique, and made a considerable gain during work to make him a candidate. While not | the afternoon. declaring that under no circumstances would he again accept the nomination, as some democrats hoped he would do, his speech will be interpreted to mean that his friends are free to work for other can-

It is said that there are two conditions under which he might again become a can-didate. One is a political reaction which resulted in an unmistakable popular de-mand for the reversal of existing conditions; the other is a situation where his candidacy alone could save the party from being dominated by what may be termed the Cleveland element. It is believed that Mr. Bryan wants most of all to maintain a principles of the Kansas City platform and if elected, stand by those principles. In other words, he will want to remain strong enough to write the platform and name the sort of man who should be selected as a

His Possible Successor.

With this view of Mr. Bryan's attitude additional interest attaches to the association of himself and Mr. Kern at the Jefferson banquet, the one delivering what might should be supported by W. B. Hibbs & Co., bankers and brokers, 1419 F st., members New York gtock exchange, correspondents Messrs. Ladenburg. Thalmann & Co., New York. With this view of Mr. Bryan's attitude be termed a valedictory and the other a

salutatory.

Mr. Kern has shown himself to be very adroit in expressing in his speech the ideas adroit in expressing to be uppermost in which just now seem to be uppermost in the minds of democrats in public life with reference to the future course of the party. He placed himself squarely in line with Bryan, without neglecting those democrats who supported the ticket in 1900, hough they did not like the reiteration of the money plank, and spoke hopefully of striving to find common grounds upon which all democrats could stand, yet gave Mr. Cleveland and others who refused to support Bryan, but who are now giving their advice as to the rehabilitation of the party, a hard slap in the face as an evi-dence of good faith toward Bryan democ-racy. This, accompanied with a glowing tribute to Mr. Bryan, is in line with whaappears to be the most common democratic

The opinion is very generally expressed that Kern must be counted on as a candidate, and it is interred that Bryan is not

DEATH OF LIEUT. KING.

hostile to him.

Was on His Way to Join Admiral Remey's Fleet. Word has been received at the Navy Department that Lieut. C. A. E. King died on board the hospital ship Solace on the 25th instant while on his way to join the fleet under Admiral Remey at Manila.

Lieutenant King was a native of Maryland, and was graduated from the Naval Academy in 1880. After two years' sea service he was made an assistant engineer, and when, by operation of the personnel law, the engineer corps was merged into the line of the navy, he was made a fullfledged lieutenant. Lieutenant King was one of the inspectors of machinery of the cruisers Montgomery and Detroit while they were under construction at Baltimore, and also served on the South Atlantic and other stations. While attached to the batleship Indiana on the North Atlantic station a few months ago he was assigned to luty on the Asiatic station, and left San Francisco on the Solace to join the fleet t Manila. He died on Christmas day just before the steamer entered the port o Hong Kong. He leaves a widow, the daughter of the late James Broumel of Maryland, a resident of Baltimore. The remains of the officer will be brought to the United States for interment.

CHICKEN RAISING.

American Fowls and Methods to Be Used in Germany. Baron Hermann, agricultural expert of

the German embassy, accompanied by Count Puckler, who is extensively engaged in scientific farming in Germany, has been making a tour of the large chicken-producing establishments of the country. Count Puckler is one of the prominent men of Germany, having been connected with the emperor's household, and later withdrawing to his extensive estates in Silesia to experiment on various lines of farm industry, particularly the raising of chickens.

The visit of this country was with a view

to seeing if the extensive methods of hatching, natural and artificial, could be adopted in Germany, where each farmer has a few chickens, but there is no enormous production for the large cities such as is carried on in this country. The large chicken farms and hatcheries in New York state and Pennsylvanis were visited. Count Puckler was much impressed with the American system, and with the fine devel-opment of certain lines of fowls, including the White Wyandotte and the Plymouth Rock. He took back with him a consider-able number of American fowls, and will return in the spring to further pursue his inquiries. His experiments in raising chickens on an extensive scale will be watched with much interest in Germany, and if it proves to be a success it promis bout an extensive export of American hickens to Germany.

Last Rites Performed. The funeral of James Ragan, who died

the 24th instant, took place today from his late residence, 642 E street northeast The remains were excorted to St. Joseph's

Comment on His Utterances at Lin- Extensive Realizing Noted in Recently Active Stocks.

JOHN W. KERN'S POSITION DEFINED REACTION FOLLOWED OPENING

Issues Taken Up.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NEW YORK, December 27 .- Today's market was given over to extensive realizing in

the recently active issues under cover of a revived demand for the low-priced shares. London reflected a tendency to await a further test of the local market and sent over an irregular range of prices. Later of Indiana last fall, and ran a little ahead in the day foreign cables were a trifle more of Mr. Bryan in that state, though, like firm in tone, but arbitrage houses were The enthusiasm at the opening was overdone in a few instances and the market

lief was expressed by some in discussing failed to recover top prices in such cases. People's Gas, in which a badly scared short interest existed, was opened from 108 to 110, an advance of about 4 per cent from the closing price of yesterday. Profit-tak-ing on an extensive scale brought the price promptly back to 108, around which level good support was given. Important electric lighting connections and buying by a prominent millionaire interest were offered as the inducements to the immediate covering of short stock.

The traction shares made no gains of im-portance after the opening, but were well supported. Pennsylvania's control of Brook-lyn Transit is the most used argument in favor of higher prices for the latter. A few weeks, or days perhaps, will disclose the significance of the recent advance. Higher prices are confidently predicted to follow. Ontario and Western was taken up after

Delaware and Hudson and the Erle Issues were active, but the latter were irregular under mixed dealings. Reading shares were strong, and the street again predicts he early announcement of the second trans-action in the anthracite deal. Denver common was moved up for a sub-stantial gain by a pool which has been making great progress with the low-priced eastern shares. Wabash issues were bought

American Sugar was again advanced under Boston buying, and some local covering of short contracts. The steel shares were irregular, but in the main firm around yesterday's best level. The dividend an-nouncements on these shares are expected next month, and in most instances favora-ble developments are predicted.

Tennessee Coal and Iron reflects a marked difference of opinion, and a big short interest presents an attractive basis for a sud-den advance, should the 8 per cent divi-dends rate be maintained. The granger shares were all strong, under the leadership of St. Paul and Rock Island. Like its eastern neighbors, the last-named property is shortly to be included in some ommunity of ownership enterprise.

The money market reflected no concern over the new year, call loans of 4½ per cent being made during the most active

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Market.

Am, stee' & Wire ofd American Sugar 14112 American Tobacco....... 11134 Atentson. Baltimore & Ohlo. pfd... BrooklynRauld Transit... C., C. & St. Louis...... Cincago, B & Q..... Chic. & Northwestern... 168 Cnic., St. P., M. & O., Chic. & G. Western..... Consolidated Gas. 1933, 1974, 2001. Tobacco. 3824, 394, 201. Con. Tobacco. pfd. 933, 933, Delaware & Hudson. 1234, 1247, ederal Steel .. Federal Steel, pfd...... Illinois Central..... Louisville & Nashville ... 87 Metropolitan Traction ... 172 Mannattan Elevated 116 Missouri Pacific... M., K. & T., pid New York Central... NY., Ontario & Western Northern Pacific...... Northern Pacific. pfd.... Pennsylvania R. R. People s Gas.... Phila.& Keading, 1st..... Southern Pacific. Texas Pacific... Tenn. Comiand iron..... Union Pacific. pfd...... U.S. Leatner pfd....... Western Union Tel..... 1Amalgamated Copper. Erie, 1st, pfd

Wheeling & L. E. 2ds..... San Francisco, 2nd...... 1Ex-div., 2.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales—regular call, 12 o'clock m.—U. S. registered 3s, \$500 at 110½. Columbia Railroad 5s, \$2,500 at 103½. \$500 at 103½. Washington Gas, 25 at 57%, 49 at 57%, 15 at 57%, 2 Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone, 5 at 73. Mergenthaler Linotype, 5 at 184, 5 at 184, 5 at 183½, 10 at 182%, and 11, 100 at 11, 2 at 11, 32 at 11, 32 at 11. After call—U. S. Electric Light deb., \$2,000 at 102½. Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone 5s, \$5,000 at 104½. U. S. Electric Light certificate, \$2,000 at 102, \$1,000 at 102. Washington Gas, 25 at 57½, 25 at 57½, 25 at 58. District of Columbia Bonds.—6s, 1902, 30-year funding, 102 bid. 7s, 1901, water stock, 102 bid. 3.65s, 1924, funding, 123 bid.

Miscellaneous Bonds.—Capital Traction 4s, 107 bid, 107½ asked. Washington Traction and Electric coll. 4½s, 57 bid. Metropolitan Railroad cert. indebt., B, 107 bid. Columbia Railroad cert. indebt., B, 107 bid. Columbia Railroad cert. indebt., B, 107 bid. Columbia Railroad 6s, 120 bid. Columbia Railroad 2d mort. 5s, 109 bid, 110 asked. City and Suburban Railroad 2d mort. 5s, 109 bid, 110 asked. City and Suburban Railroad 2d mort. 5s, 103 bid. American Security and Trust 4s, 100 bid. Washington Market 1st 6s, 110 bid. Masonic Hall Association 5s, 105 bid. American Security and Trust 4s, 100 bid. Washington Market 1st 6s, 110 bid. Masonic Hall Association 5s, 105 bid. American Security and Nathonal Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washington, 400

Trust 4s, 100 bid. Washington Market 1st 6s, 110 bid. Masonic Hall Association 5s, 105 bid. American Graphophone ueb 5s, 98 bid.
National Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washington, 400 bid, 410 asked. Metropolitan, 650 bid. Central, 200 bid. Farmers and Mechanics, 220 bid. Second, 165 bid. Citizens', 150 bid. Columbia, 168 bid. Capital, 140 bid. West End, 116 bid. Traders', 125 bid. Lincoln, 119 bid, 125 asked.
Safe Deposit and Trust Companies.—National Safe Deposit and Trust, 142 bid. Washington Loan and Trust, 163 bid. American Security and Trust, 201 bid. Washington Safe Deposit, 73 bid. Union Trust and Storage, 1684 bid, 105 asked.
Insurance Stocks.—Firemen's, 30 bid. Franklin, 40 bid, 50 asked. Metropolitan, 81 bid, 88 asked. Corcoran, 60 bid. Potomac, 70 bid, 75 asked. Arlington, 135 bid, 145 asked. German-American, 210 bid. National Union, 10½ bid, 12½ asked. Columbia, 12 bid, 13 asked. Riggs, 7% bid, 8% asked. Title Insurance Stocks.—Real Estate Title, x70 bid. Columbia Title, 4½ bid, 5 asked. Washington Title, 2½ bid. District Title, 3½ bid.
Railroad Stocks.—Capital Traction, x1031½ bid, 103% asked. City and Suburban, 20 bid, 25 asked. Georgetown and Tenl ytown, 10 bid.
Telephone Stocks.—Washington Gas, 57% bid, 57% asked. Gas Stocks.—Washington Gas, 57% bid, 57% asked. Telephone Stocks.—Chesapeake and Potomac, 72 bid, 75 asked. Pennsylvania, 35 bid.
Miscellaneous Stocks.—Mergentitaler Linotype, 18% bid, 14 asked. American Graphophone com., 9% bid, 10% asked. Washington

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January, 72a72½; May, 76%a76½; steamer No. 2 red, 69%a69%—receipts, 25,254 bushels—southern wheat by sample, 68a73; do, on grade, 71a73. Corn firm—spot, old, 42½a42½; new, 41½; December, new or old, 41½a41½; January, 41%a41½; Februlary, 41%a41¾; March, 41½a41½; steamer mixed, 41—receipts, 304,289 bushels; exports, 51,429 bushels—southern white corn, 42a43; do, yellow, 41¼a 42¼. Oats quiet—No. 2 white, 30½a31; No. 2 mixed, 28a28½—receipts, 5,736 bushels. Rye dull—No. 2 nearby, 50; No. 2 western, 51. Hay barely steady—No. 1 timothy, \$17. Grain freights quiet, unchanged. Sugar and cheese firm, unchanged. Butter steady—fancy creamery, 25a26. Eggs steady—22a23.

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May	6.57	6.90	6.87	6.90
Ribs Jan	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25
May	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
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January	9.53	9.59	9.52	9.55
March	9.35	9.40	9.33	9.38
March	8.50	47 - 357		
May	9.33	9.32	9.27	9.28

AFFAIRS IN GEORGETOWN.

day schools of the various churches in Georgetown are being held, and are decidedly interesting to the children and their parents. Last evening the celebration of the Sunday school of Peck Memorial Chapel was held, and there was an unusually large attendance of children. Commissioner Henry B. F. Macfarland, who is interested in the church, and his wife, were

present. 14134 The three Sunday schools connected with St. Alban's Church, on the Tenleytown road, are among those to observe the joyous occasion. Last evening the children of the school of the main church, south of the evening the Sunday school connected with the parish guild house on the Murdock Mill road will have the program repeated, and tomorrow evening the colored Sunday school of the church at Reno will enjoy the

> The annual exercises were also held last evening at the Dumbarton Avenue M. E. Church, and the West Washington Mission of the M. E. Church South, on 33d street. This evening the schools attached to the Congress Street M. P. Church and the West Street Presbyterian Church will cele-

In order to have increased accommodations for its supply of coal the Capital Traction Company has purchased a piece of property west of the present power house on Grace street, between 32d and Potomac streets. The building formerly occupying the site was demolished and large bins for the storage of coal were erected on the site. The purchase of the property was, however, made a few days ago. Owing to the closing of the canal for the winter season it was found necessary to lay in a supply of fuel to last the power plant until the opening of the spring sea-

A fire was discovered yesterday in the basement of building 3022 M street, occupied by C. W. Porter as a second-hand furniture store. An alarm was turned in by Policeman Kavanagh, which was responded to by Engine Company No. 5 and Truck The blaze was confined to the cellar and was extinguished soon after the engine company went into service. The fire is supposed to have originated from a match thrown into a pile of rubbish. The damage

Some unknown friends of Foreman Andrew J. Sullivan of Truck E, on S street between 34th2 and 35th streets, have presented him with a handsomely decorated Christmas tree, which was in some manner smuggled into his room and tied to the foot of the iron bedstead. Among the numerous decorations on the tree are plenty of bags of tobacco and pieces of plug chewing tobacco, with cigars and pipes in pro-fusion. The tree was much admired by the members of the company.

LEPROSY IN THE PHILIPPINES. Rather Startling Facts Reported by

An appended report to General MacArthur's review of the civil affairs of the Philippines for the past fiscal year gives some rather startling facts regarding the introduction and prevalence of leprosy in the islands.

According to the estimates of the Fran ciscan Fathers, says Major Guy L. Edie, the writer of the report, there are no less than 30,000 lepers in the archipelago, the major portion of these being in the Vis-cayas. Leprosy was introduced in 1633, when the Emperor of Japan sent a ship with 150 lepers on board to the Philippines as a present, to be cared for by the Catho-lic priests. Thus the seed was planted, and as no practical methods were ever adopted dicate the disease or prevent it spread it has taken firm root, and spread into its present formidable phase. A house to-house inspection inaugurated last Janu ary found more than a hundred lepers con-cealed in dwellings. These were sent to San Lazaro hospital in Manila, but many others escaped into the surrounding country. A commission is now engaged in the work of selecting a suitable island, or islands, for the purpose of isolating all the lepers in the archipelago.

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of the phenomenal bargains this sale has extended for days and weeks, the time now calls for your urgent attention. Like the fleeting of the 19th century its end is near-so near that you will hear no more of the rare opportunity when our stores close on the eve of New Year. Let us remind you again to welcome the dawn of the new century in a stylish Oxford Cheviot Suit or Overcoat, and possibly a stylish pair of Worsted Trousers.

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cent tariff circular authorizing the free en-Church by the Master Plumbers' Associa-'Yes, sir.' try of Christmas presents into the Philip-"Yes, sir."
"Can you remember any of the cadets you saw there at that time?"
"Yes, sir; one of them was Lieutenant Mumma, who graduated last year."
The witness said that he had eaten quinine pills when he was a fourth-class man. BRIDGETON, N. J., December 27.-In tion, Washington Lodge of Elks and the pines, Porto Rice and Cuba, so that the con-Veteran Firemen's Association. Services at the church were conducted by Father Schmidt, pastor, who paid a high tribute to the character of the deceased. The rethe Cumberland county court today Law cession in the case of Cuban ports will ex-Judge Thomas W. Trenchard sustained the pire January 15 instead of February 7, as originally provided. It is stated at the dewill of Charles K. Landis, founder of Vinethe latter post to duty at the sewer required to take pepper to take pepper and his eldest son, Chries K. Landis, ir., District.

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